

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA
SOUTH BEND DIVISION**

THOMAS R. GANUS,)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Cause No.: 3:18-CV-928-RLM-JEM
)	
KIMBERLY CREASY., <i>et al.</i> ,)	
Defendants.)	

ORDER

This matter is before the Court *sua sponte*. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f)(1) and 26(a)(1)(B)(iv), this case is exempt from exchanging initial disclosures and from filing a Report of the Parties' Planning Meeting. However, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(b) and Northern District of Indiana Local Rule 16-1(c), the Court must issue a scheduling order in this case.

Therefore, pursuant to Northern District of Indiana Local Rule 16-1(b), the Court **ORDERS** defense counsel and the unrepresented plaintiff to separately prepare and file brief status reports (not to exceed three pages unless greater length is unavoidable) by **August 6, 2019**. The status reports must address:

1. what deadline should be set for joining parties and amending the pleadings;
2. what discovery is planned;
3. what deadline should be set for completing discovery; and
4. what deadline should be set for filing dispositive motions.

The Court will then review the status reports and enter a scheduling order which may only be modified for good cause with leave of court, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure

16(b)(4).

SO ORDERED this 8th day of July, 2019.

s/ John E. Martin
MAGISTRATE JUDGE JOHN E. MARTIN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

cc: All counsel of record
Plaintiff, *pro se*